

Redwood Acres Public School Code Of Conduct

A school is a place that promotes responsibility, respect, civility and academic excellence in a safe learning and teaching environment.

All students, parents/guardians, and staff have the right to be safe and feel safe in their school community. With this right comes the responsibility to be law-abiding citizens and to be accountable for actions that put the safety of others or oneself at risk.

We believe that every student has the right to an education without disruption, along with the equally important responsibility not to deny this right to any other student.

Redwood Acres Public School adheres to the [Rainbow District School Board's Code of Conduct](#) that encourages positive student behaviour. A firm and fair application of this Code of Conduct shall prevail in all Redwood Acres P.S. school activities and on school buses.

Standards of Behaviour

The standards of behaviour apply to students, staff, parents/guardians, volunteers, and visitors engaged in any school activity. In addition to the standards outlined in the Rainbow District School Board Code of Conduct, Redwood Acres Public School has developed a school Code of Conduct clarifying acceptable and non-acceptable behaviour for all members of the school community. These school Codes of Conduct are subject to review on a regular basis.

Members of the Redwood Acres P.S. school community will:

- Use appropriate school language (i.e. polite, respectful)
- Adhere to the school Dress Code
- Remove hats when entering the building
- Stop and stand for the National Anthem
- Listen attentively to announcements
- Solve problems and/or conflict positively
- Seek assistance from a member of the school staff, if necessary, to resolve conflict peacefully

The following routines and expectations for students have been outlined to ensure adherence with Redwood Acres Public School's standards of behaviour. These expectations and routines are taught and will be posted in classrooms and hallways:

1. Arrival

- Arrive on time with the necessary equipment prepared to learn
- Upon arrival, move to the designated playground area
- Students on buses will exit buses from front seats to back then walk single-file to the designated playground area of the school

2. Playground

- Remain within school yard boundaries
- Use school language (polite, respectful).
- Play cooperatively using equipment properly and safely

- Try to solve problems positively. Ask an adult for help when needed.
- Personal electronics from home, trading cards, and food are not permitted on the school yard
- Dress appropriately for the weather
- Obtain permission to re-enter the school during recess from a supervisor on duty. A hall pass will be provided.
- Demonstrate respect for all supervising staff and follow instructions of all supervising staff.

3. Entering The Building

- Form class lines standing calmly and quietly and wait to be invited into the school.
- Respond when greeted, making eye-contact
- Hold sporting equipment in hands. Return all equipment borrowed from the bins (must not be kept in own lockers, backpacks or classrooms).
- Remove hats along with outdoor wear (if applicable) once inside and put on indoor shoes.
- Proceed straight to the classroom and receive teacher permission to use the washroom if necessary.

4. Walking in the Halls or on the Stairs

- Walk in single file at all times, silently and on the right side.
- Keep hands and feet to yourself
- Respond when greeted, making eye-contact
- If not with your class, ensure you have hall pass
- Stop to allow an adult or younger child to pass through a class line or a doorway
- Take one step at a time on the stairs and use handrail
- First student to a door holds it open for the class then joins the end of the line
- Line up quietly in hallways and wait to be invited into other classrooms, gym, or library

5. Washroom Use

- Learn and follow the classroom routine to monitor washroom use. Follow hall routine to and from washroom.
- During class time, all students will go one at a time from a class. One boy and one girl may go at a time.
- Students will carry a hall pass and will not bring food, toys or other items with them.
- Treat washroom with respect.

6. Lunch Routines

- All students who are not signed out for lunch by an adult must remain at school and cannot leave the property.
- In order to be signed out by an adult, students must have written permission from their parent/guardian. The adult signing the student(s) out must come into the school to sign the student(s) out.
- Students will eat in their own classrooms, at the seat assigned by the classroom teacher.
- Remain seated and use indoor voices talking only to others at your table or close by.
- Students are responsible for tidying up the classroom before being dismissed.
- Wait quietly to be dismissed.
- When dismissed, all garbage will be placed in the classroom garbage container.
- Students may not leave the classroom without permission from a supervisor, or a teacher

7. Assemblies

- Follow hall routines when proceeding to the gym.

- Sit in assigned rows with legs crossed and hands on lap. Talk quietly, watching for signal to be silent
- During presentations, be attentive and show appreciation through applause only.
- Stay seated until your teacher signals the class to get up and leave.

8. Dismissal

- Follow hall routines to the door.
- Line up calmly in bus lines and remain there.
- Walkers and students being picked up exit through main doors only.

Dress Code

Students are expected to be neat and clean and to dress appropriately for the season and school activities. It is important for students to take pride in how they look and what they wear. Appearance at Redwood Acres P.S. will be based on modesty, civility and health and safety.

The Rainbow District School Board's Policy states:

Principals, in consultation with school councils, will review the expectations of appropriate student dress regularly and communicate them to parents and students on an annual basis.

The following are not acceptable in schools:

- hats
- beach attire of any type
- clothing with offensive logos or comments
- inappropriate jewellery

Walking shorts of acceptable length may be worn in season.

Certain accessories may not be approved at the discretion of the school administration. A student could be asked to change into other clothing at school or the student could be sent home to change. If the latter occurs, the parent/guardian would be notified to make such arrangements.